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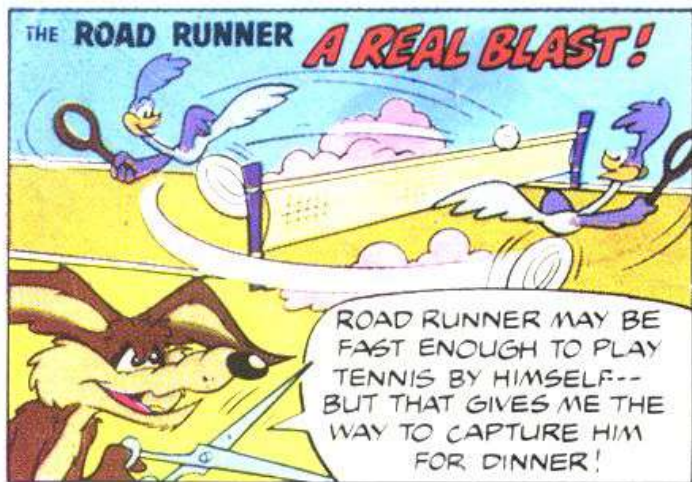
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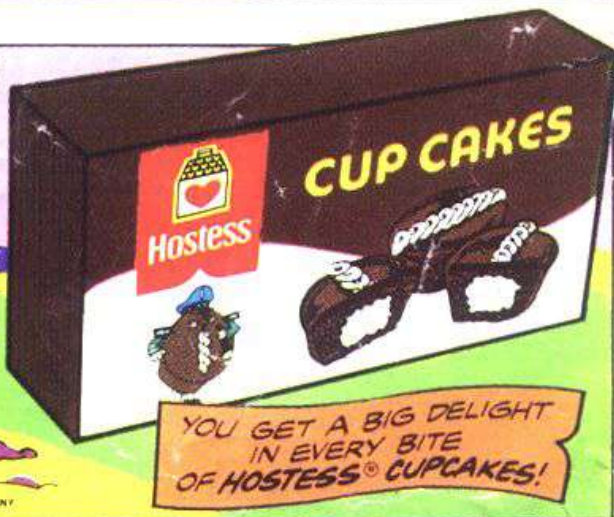
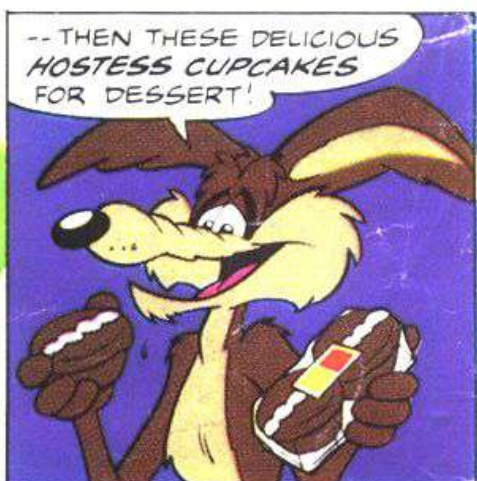
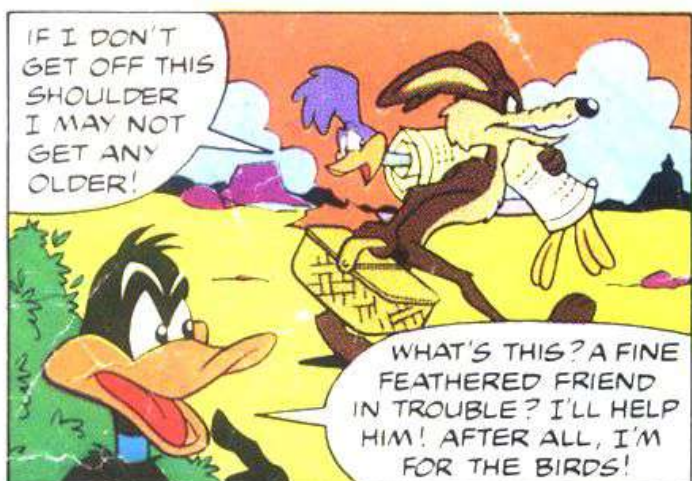
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ORPHAN
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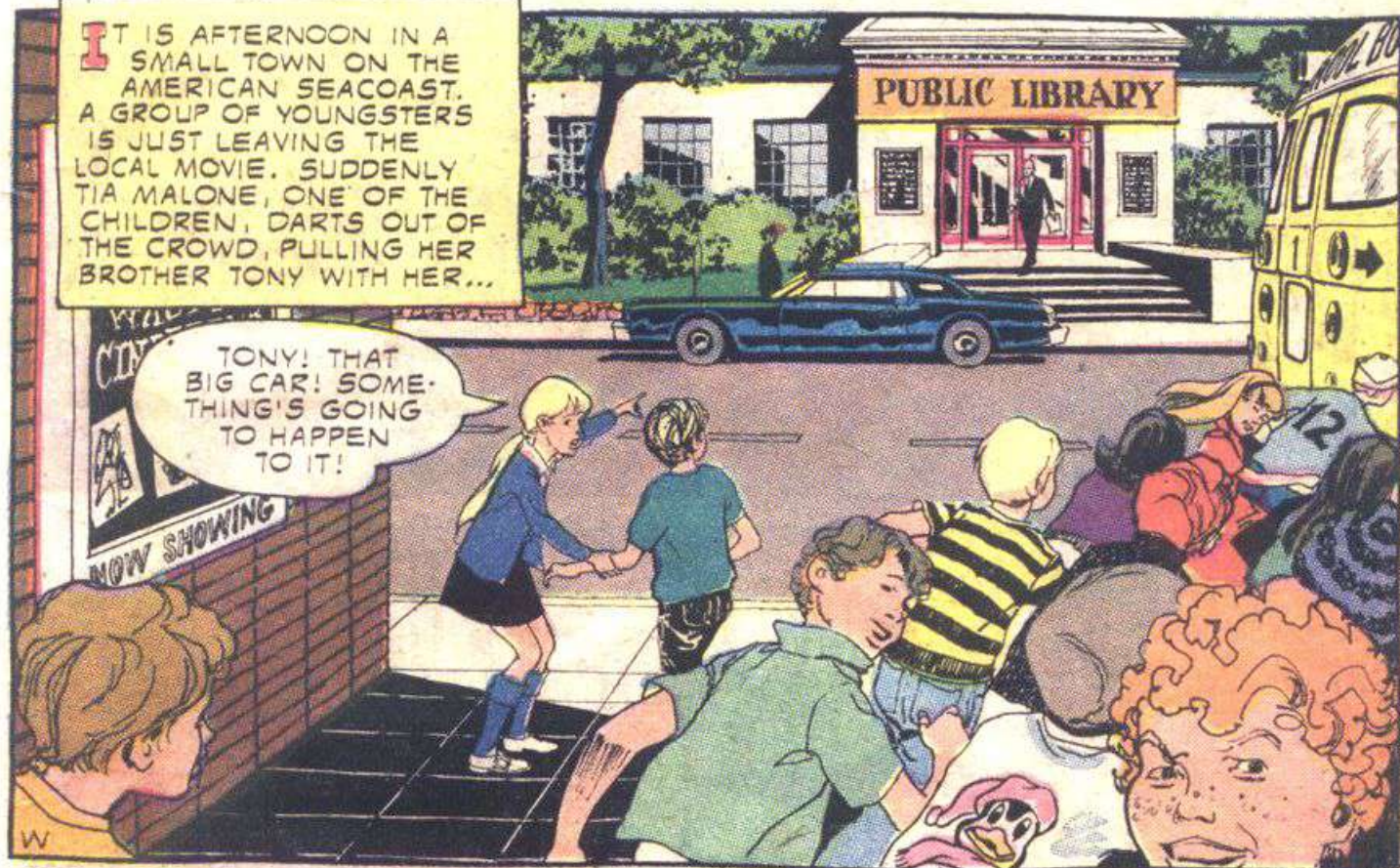
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IT IS AFTERNOON IN A SMALL TOWN ON THE AMERICAN SEACOAST. A GROUP OF YOUNGSTERS IS JUST LEAVING THE LOCAL MOVIE. SUDDENLY TIA MALONE, ONE OF THE CHILDREN, DARTS OUT OF THE CROWD, PULLING HER BROTHER TONY WITH HER...

TONY! THAT BIG CAR! SOMETHING'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO IT!



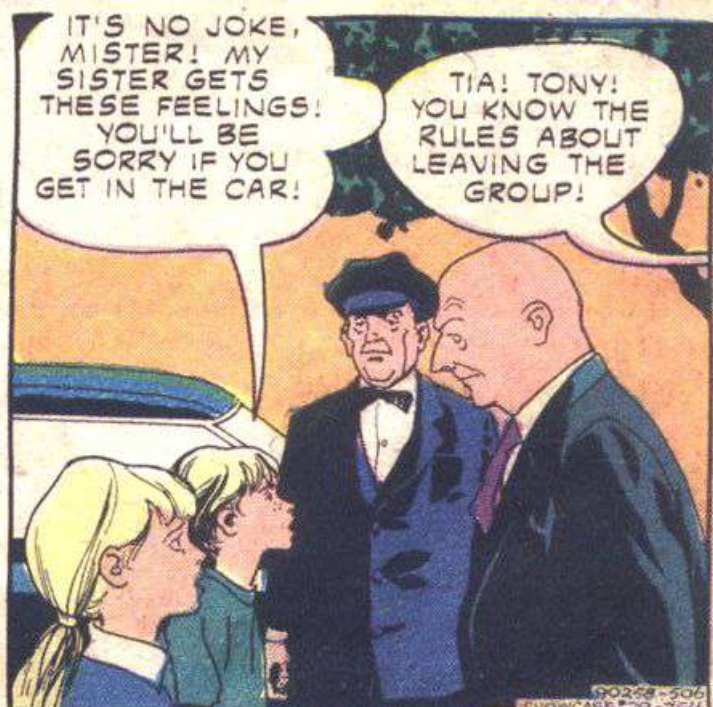
MISTER! STOP! DON'T GET IN THAT CAR!

WHAT—?



IT'S NO JOKE, MISTER! MY SISTER GETS THESE FEELINGS! YOU'LL BE SORRY IF YOU GET IN THE CAR!

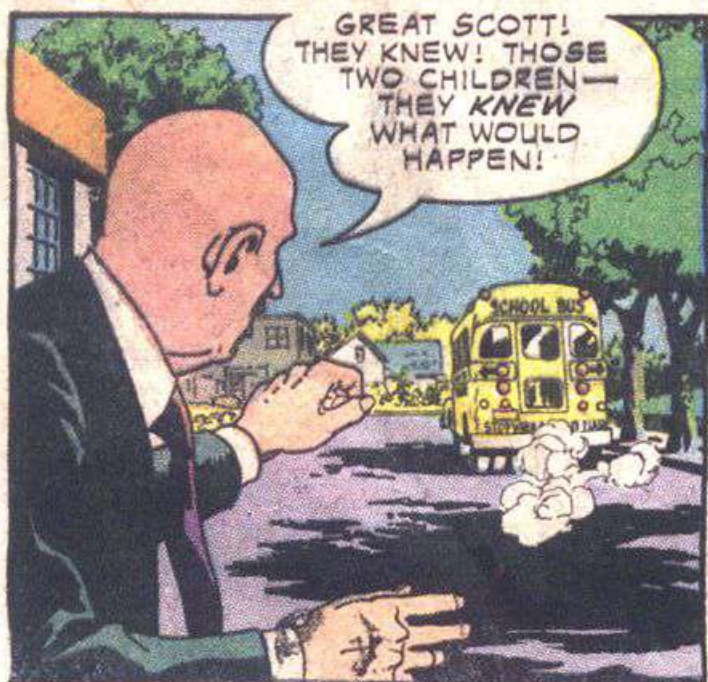
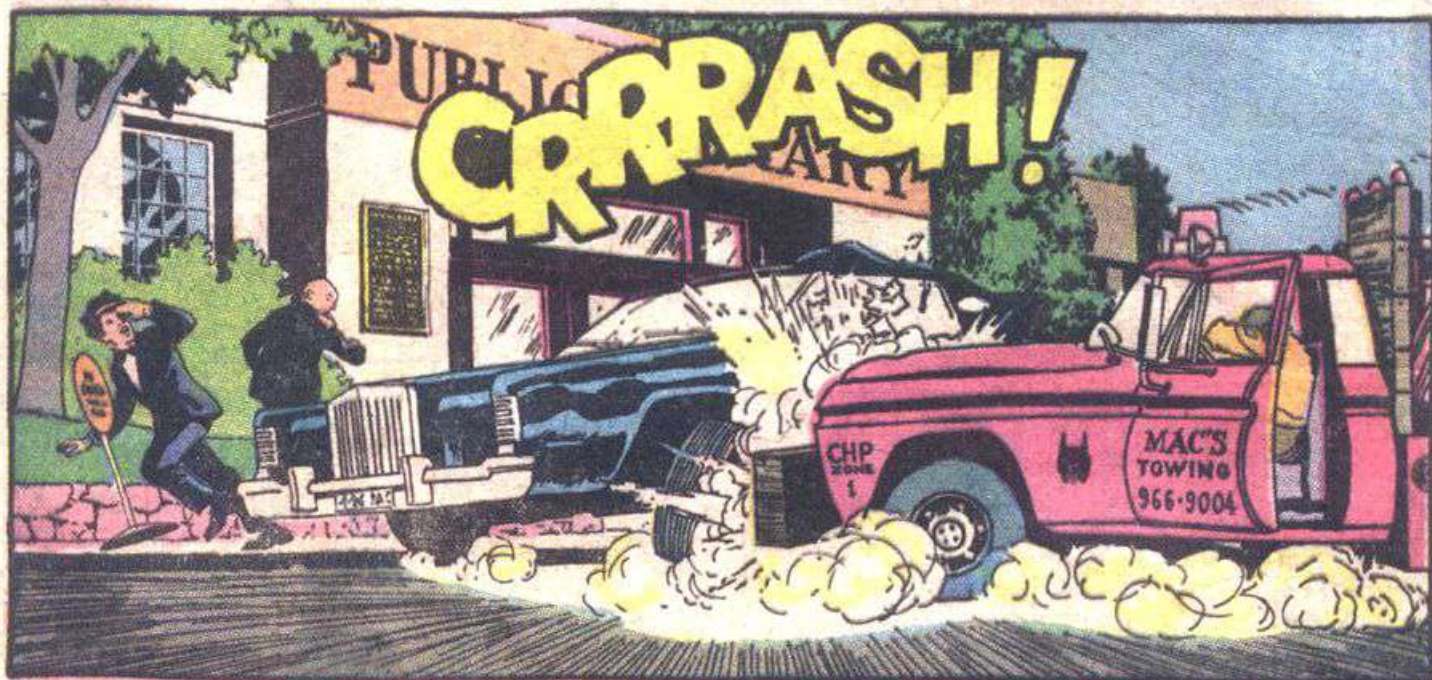
TIA! TONY! YOU KNOW THE RULES ABOUT LEAVING THE GROUP!

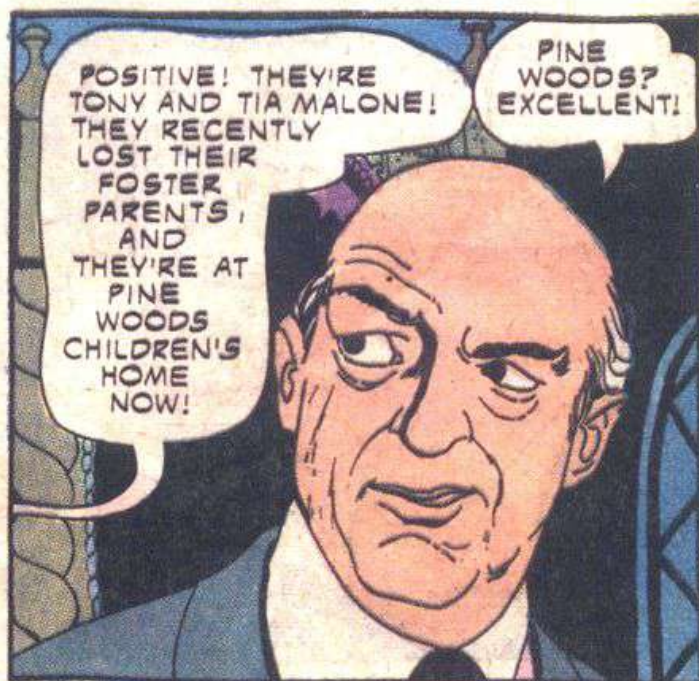


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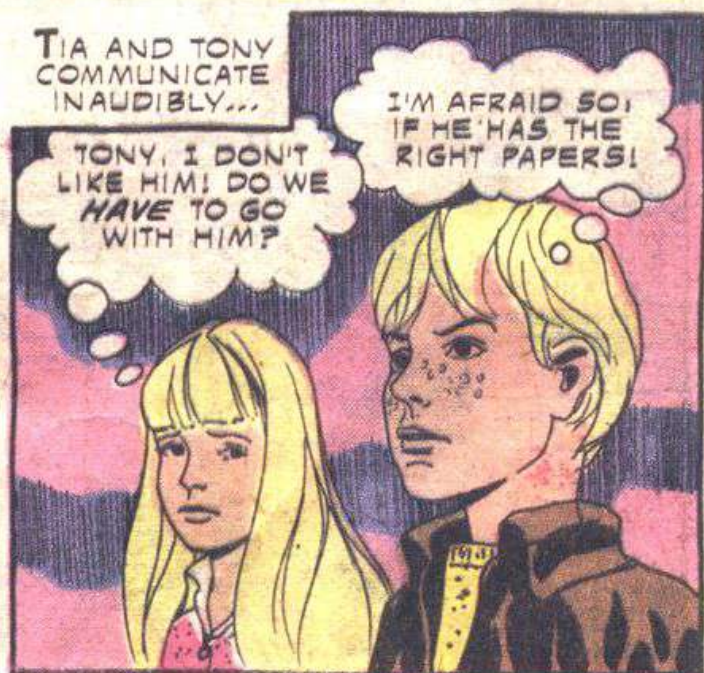
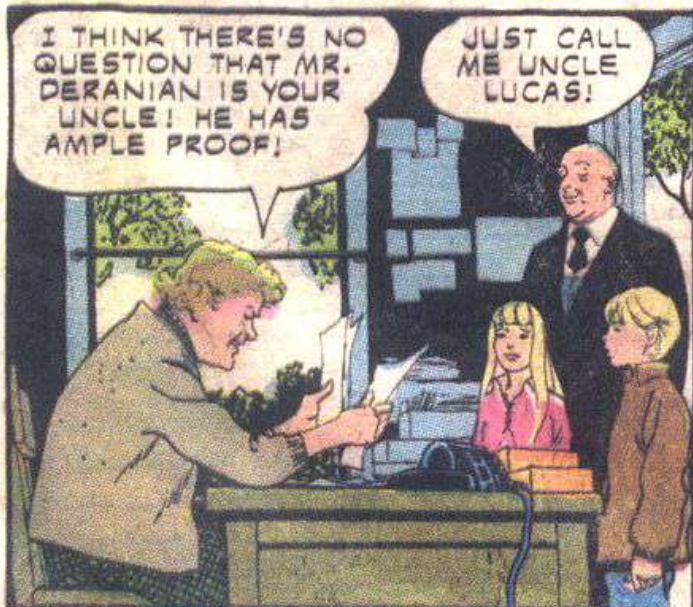
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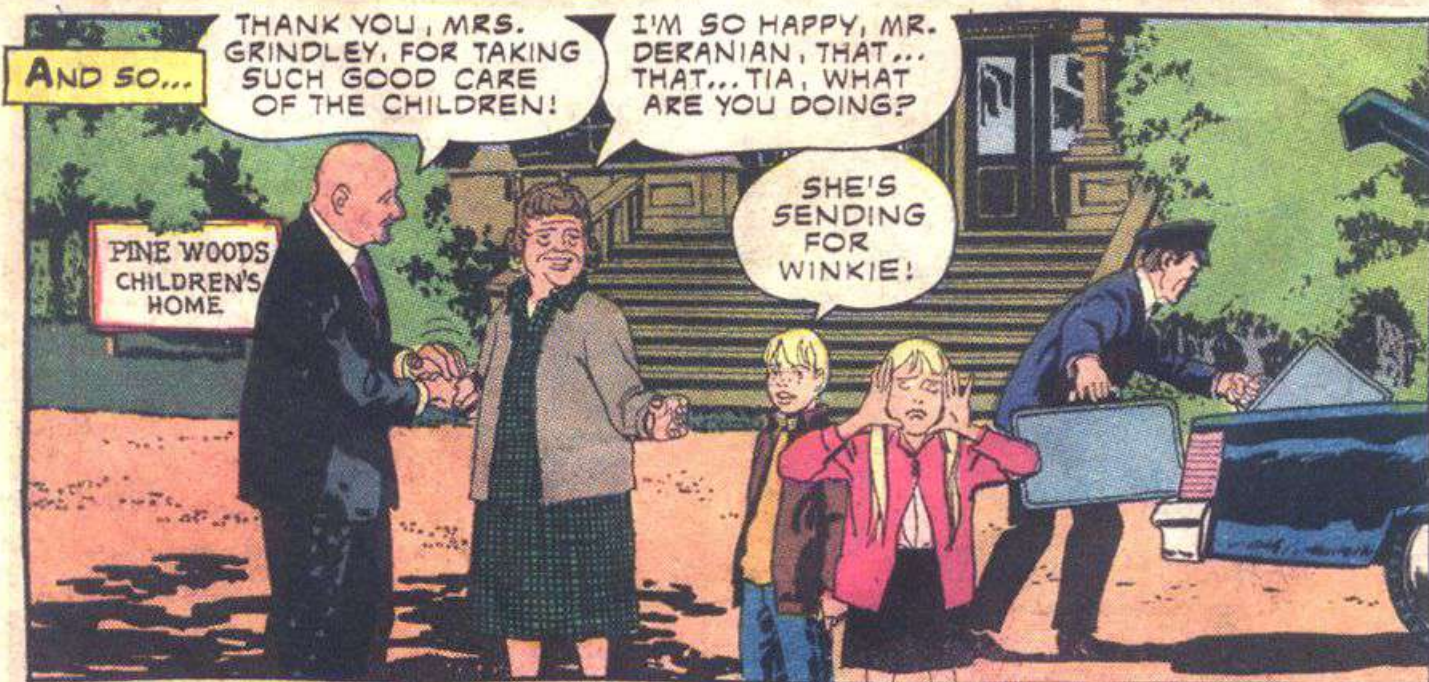
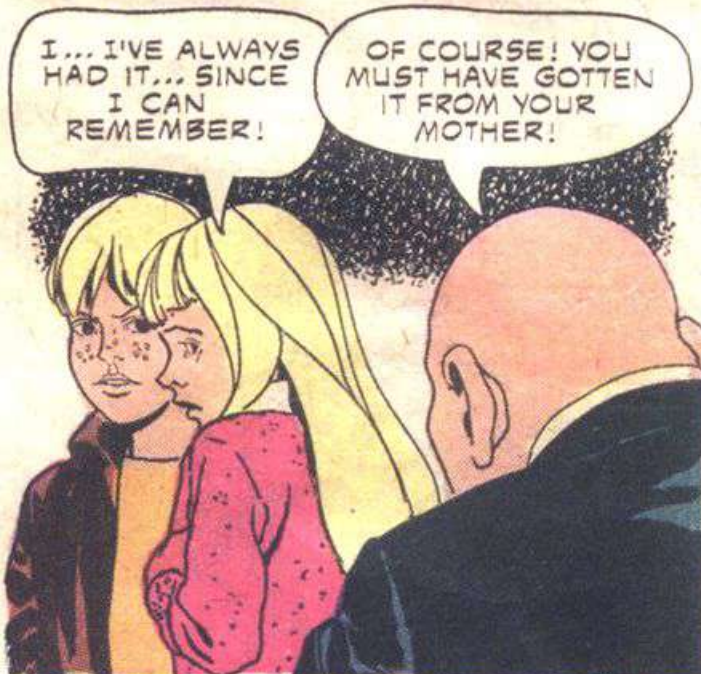
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THE NEXT DAY, TONY AND TIA ARE CALLED TO THE OFFICE AT PINE WOODS...





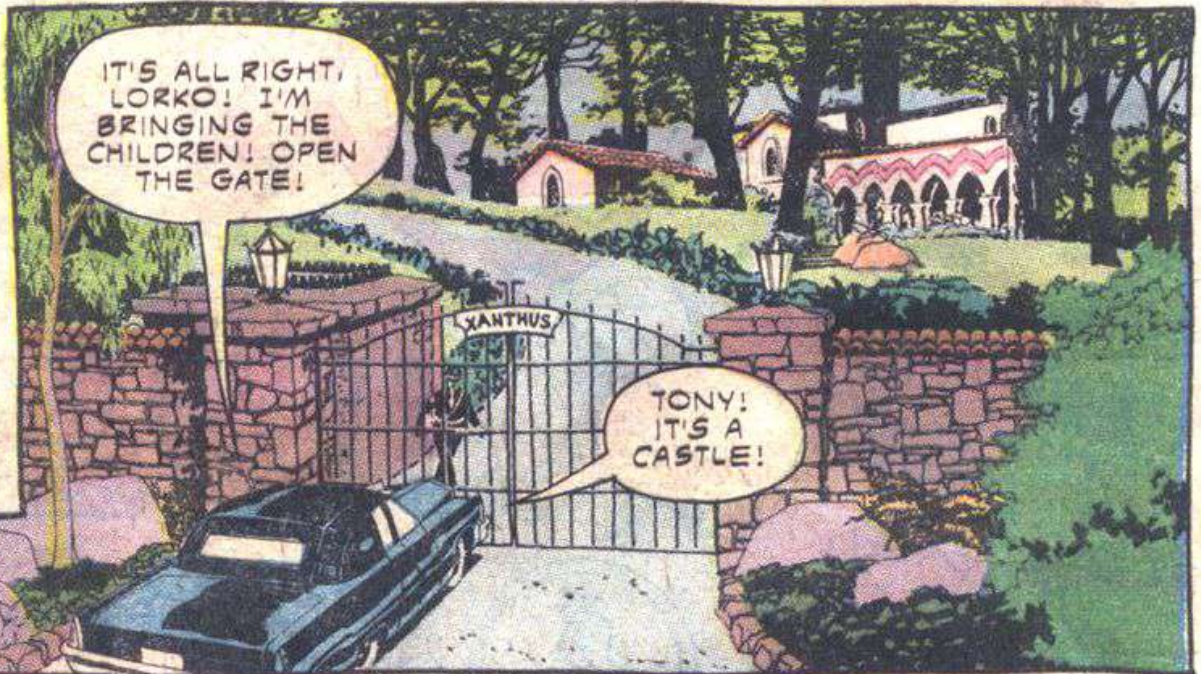


WINKIE IS
TIA'S **CAT**, MR.
DERANIAN!



SHE WINKS, YOU SEE —
THAT'S WHY SHE'S
CALLED WINKIE! AND
SHE HAS THE MOST
AMAZING
ABILITY TO
KNOW WHEN
TIA WANTS
HER!

SEVERAL
HOURS AND
A FEW
HUNDRED
MILES
LATER,
DERANIAN'S
BIG CAR
STOPS AT A
GATE JUST
OFF THE
HIGHWAY, AND
DERANIAN
GIVES AN
ORDER TO A
GUARD
AT THE
GATEHOUSE...



IT'S ALL RIGHT,
LORKO! I'M
BRINGING THE
CHILDREN! OPEN
THE GATE!

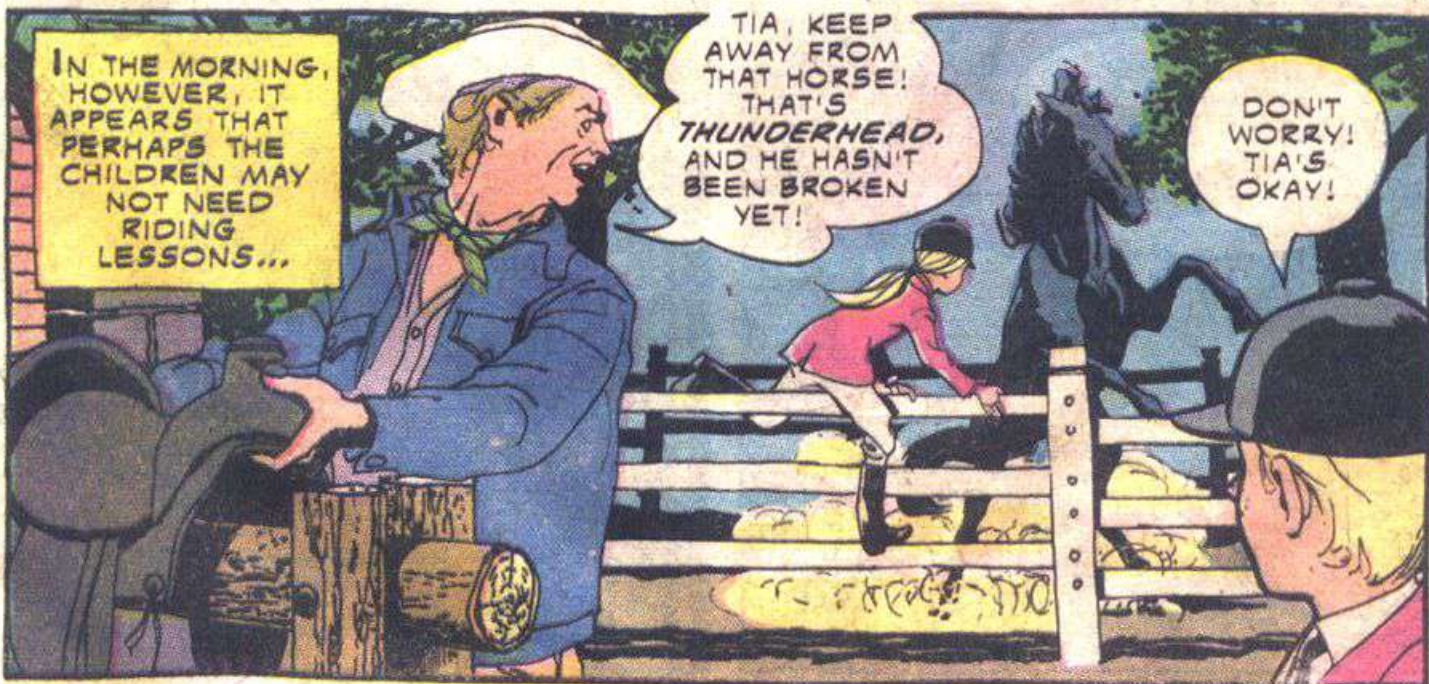
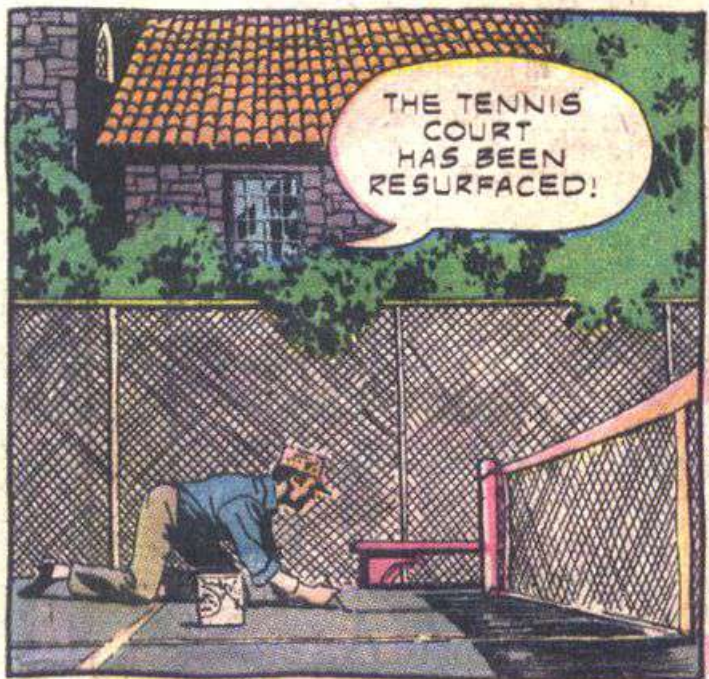
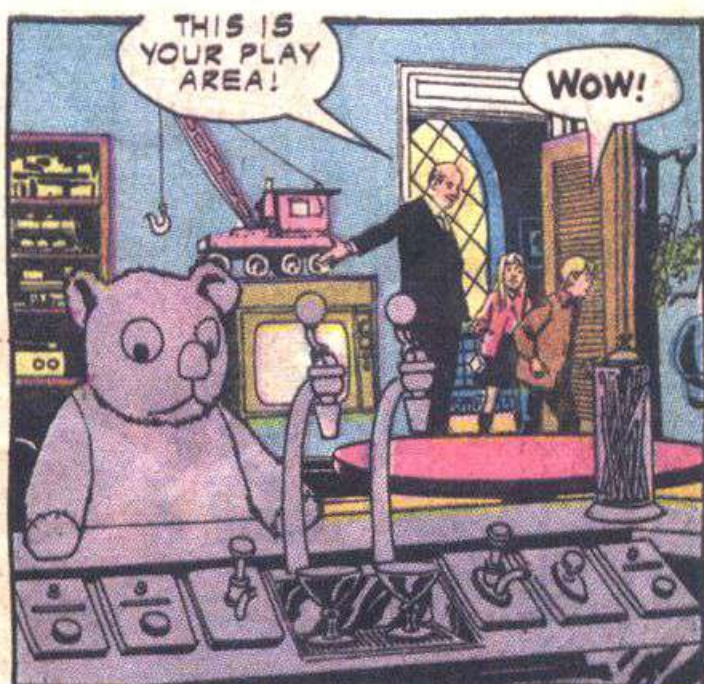
TONY!
IT'S A
CASTLE!

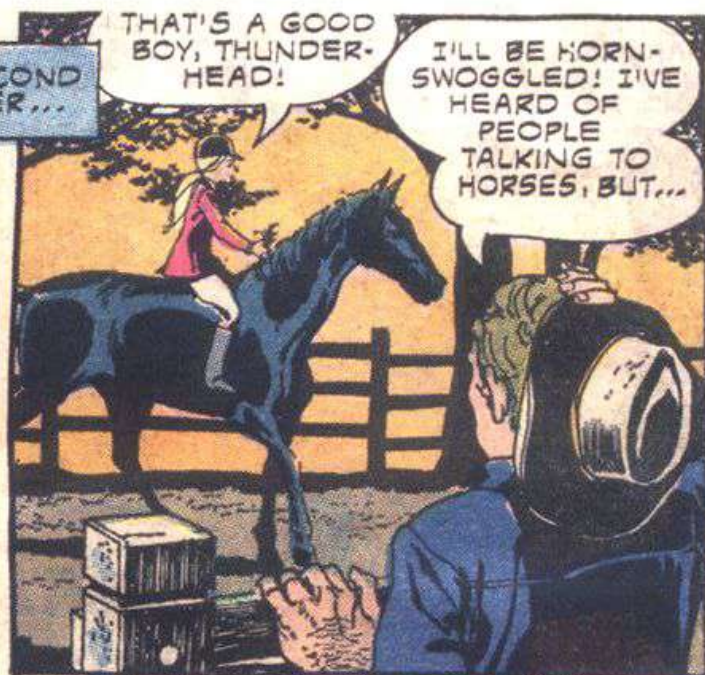


IT IS RATHER
GRAND! IT'S THE
HOME OF MR. BOLT,
MY EMPLOYER
AND OUR HOST!
HE'S WAITING TO
WELCOME YOU!



SO THIS IS THE
LONG-LOST FAMILY!
A LOVELY NIECE AND
A HANDSOME
NEPHEW!

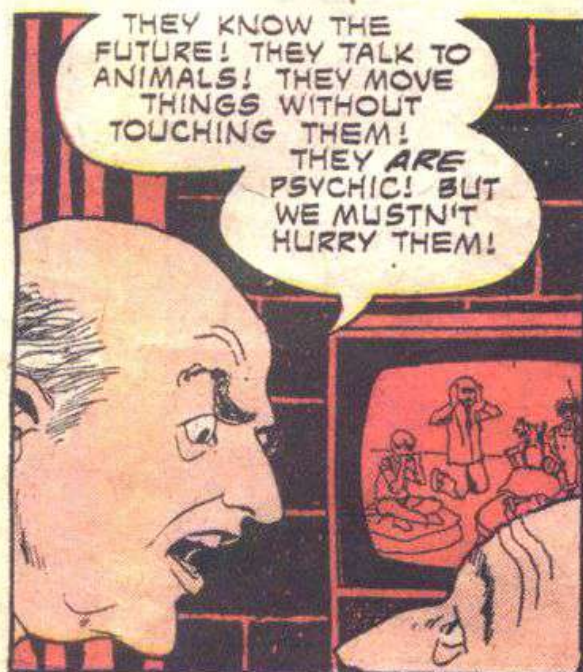
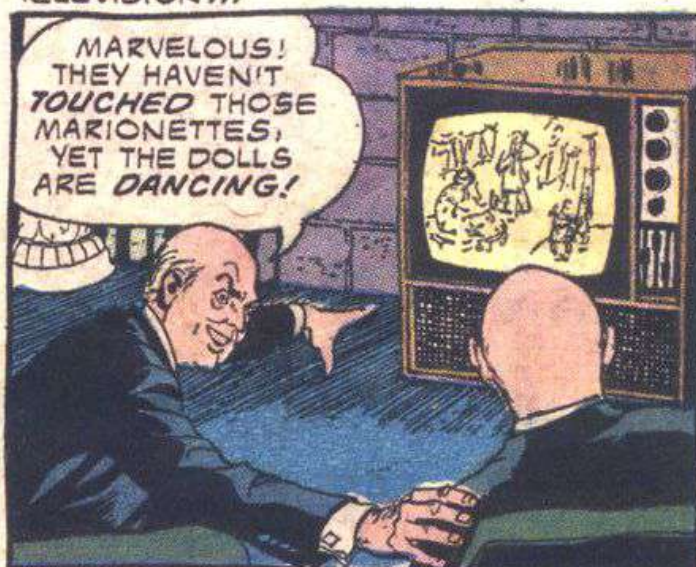




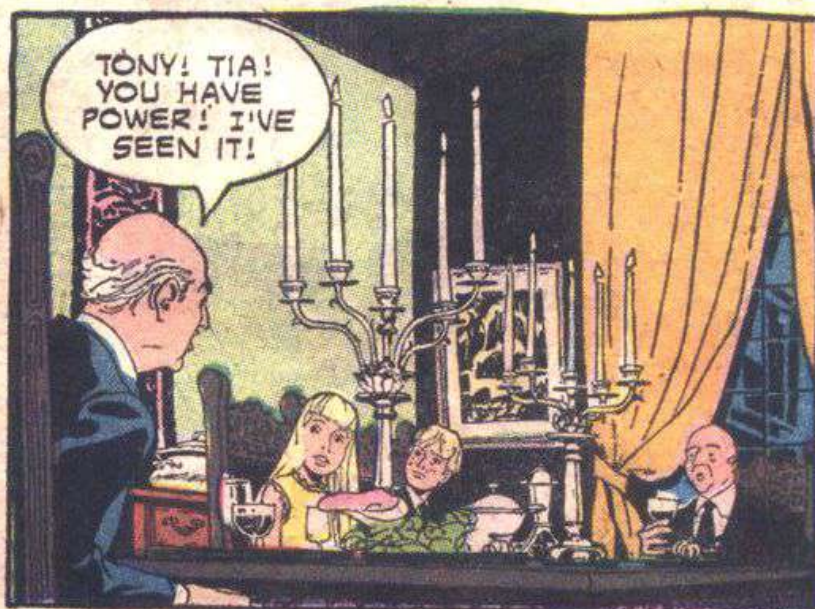
AS THE FIRST NOTES COME FROM TONY'S HARMONICA, AND TIA STARES AT THE LITTLE STAGE, THE MARIONETTES STIR AND SEEM TO COME TO LIFE!



IN A TOWER ROOM, FAR ABOVE, ARISTOTLE BOLT AND DERANIAN WATCH THE SCENE ON CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION...



ARISTOTLE BOLT IS IMPATIENT, HOWEVER, AND THAT EVENING AT DINNER...





YOU GO, TOO, UNCLE LUCAS! YOU COULD USE SOME EXTRA SLEEP!

ANYTHING! ANYTHING! JUST NEVER LEAVE ME!

WHEN THE CHILDREN ARE ALONE IN THEIR QUARTERS...



TONY, WE HAVE TO GET AWAY FROM HERE!

SHHH! LISTEN A SECOND!

UNKNOWN TO ARISTOTLE BOLT, THE CHILDREN HAVE YET ANOTHER GIFT — A REMARKABLY ACUTE SENSE OF *HEARING*...



LOCK THEIR DOORS! AND DOUBLE THE GUARDS! THEY MUSTN'T ESCAPE!

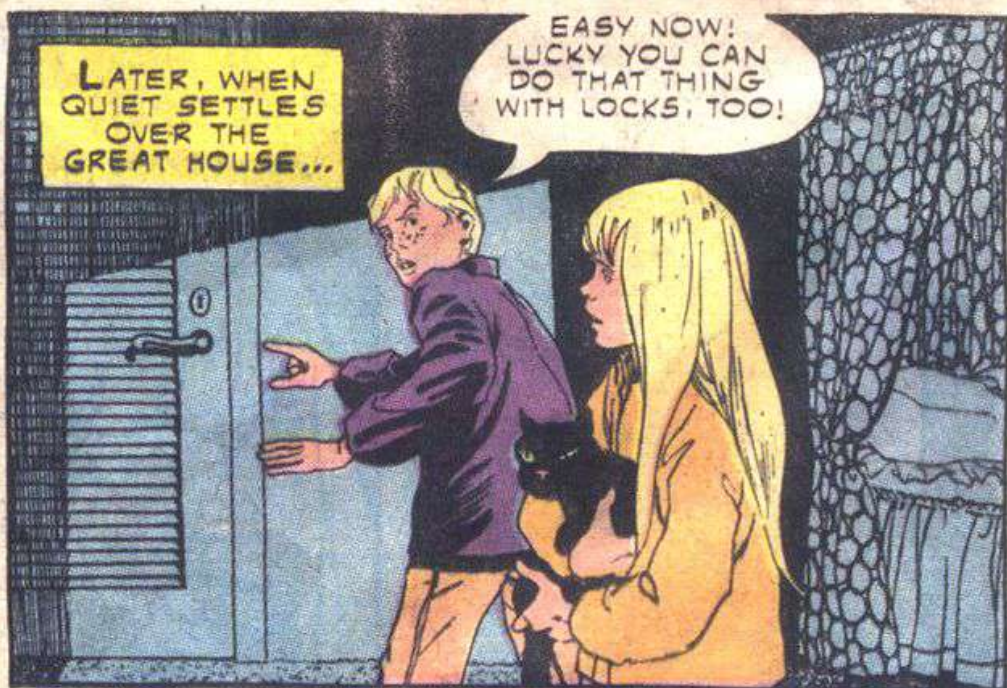
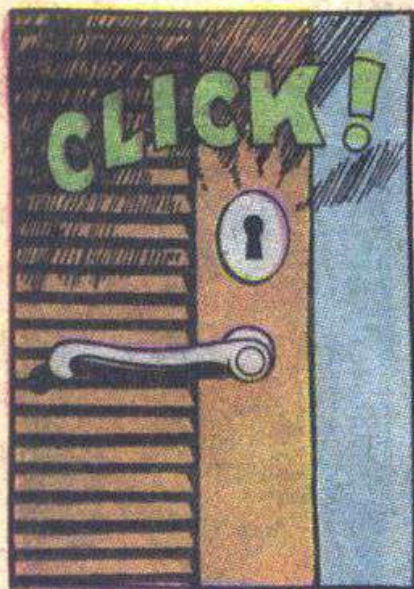
IT'S BOLT! HE MUST BE IN THE TOWER ROOM, AND HE'S NUTTY AS A FRUIT CAKE!



SOMEONE'S COMING! IT MUST BE UNCLE LUCAS!

"UNCLE LUCAS" MY FOOT! BUT HE FOUND OUT ABOUT US SOME WAY!

THEIR DOOR IS LOCKED FROM THE OUTSIDE...



LATER, WHEN QUIET SETTLES OVER THE GREAT HOUSE...

EASY NOW! LUCKY YOU CAN DO THAT THING WITH LOCKS, TOO!

THE THING TIA DOES
WITH LOCKS IS
SIMPLY TO STARE
AT THEM, AND...



SO TIA, TONY AND
WINKIE GET OUT OF
BOLT'S MANSION.
BUT BEFORE THEY
HAVE GONE FAR...

UH-OH! SOMEBODY
MUST HAVE
FOUND THAT DOOR
UNLOCKED!



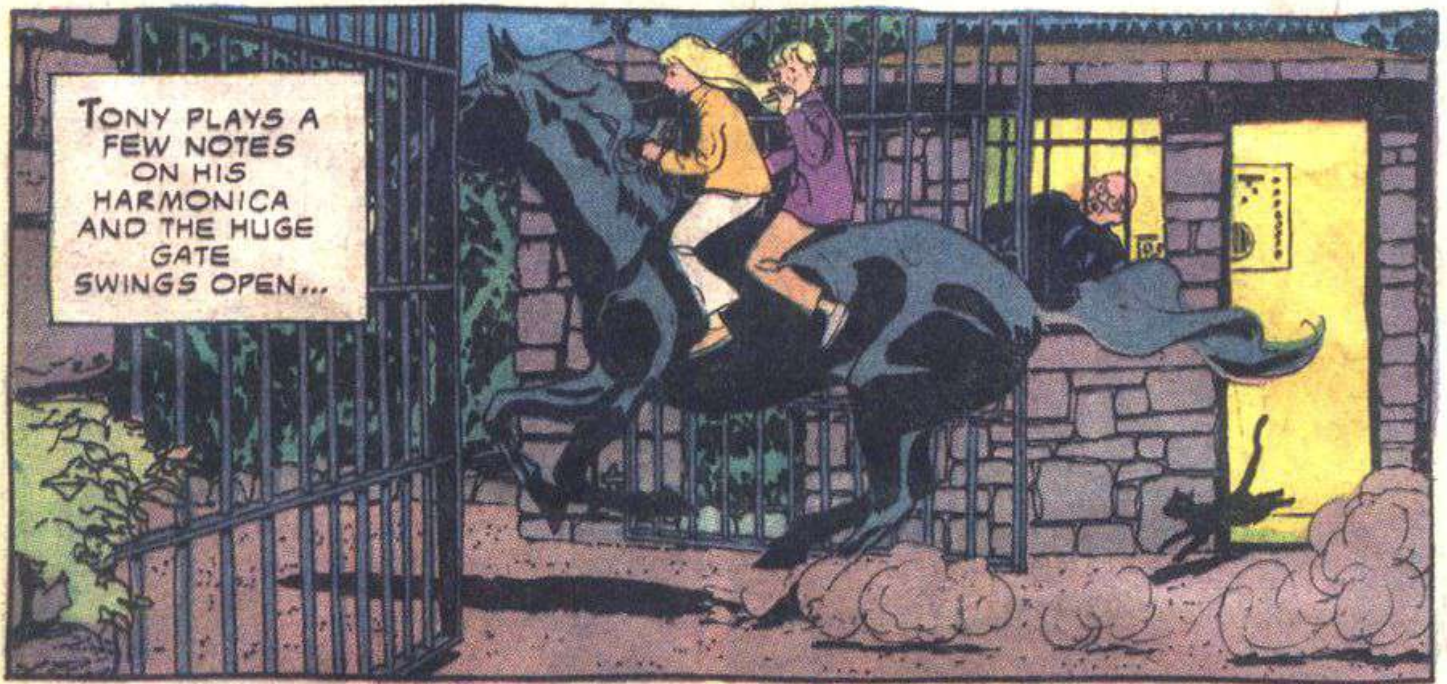


SUDDENLY THE PURSUING GUARDS FIND THEMSELVES COPING WITH AN UNEXPECTED TURN OF EVENTS...

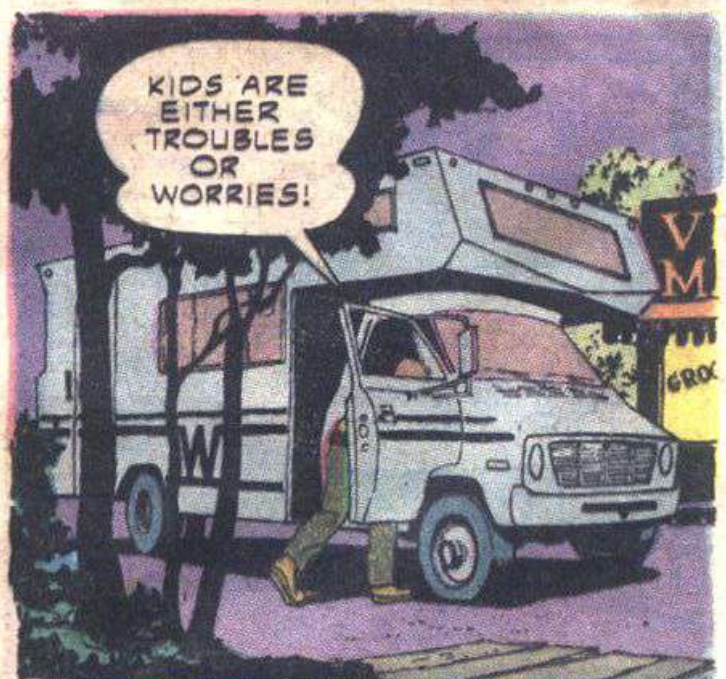


AT THE SAME TIME, IN THE DISTANT CORRAL, THE GREAT STALLION THUNDERHEAD HEARS A CALL...





BUT EVEN IN THE VILLAGE NEAR THE ESTATE, THE SIRENS CAN BE HEARD...





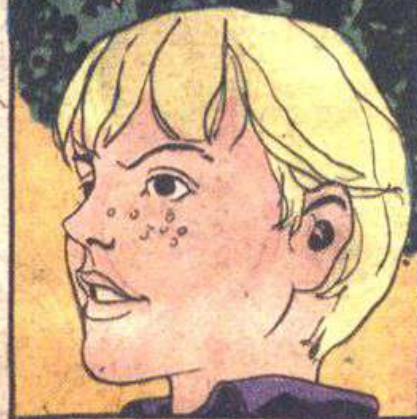
AND HE FINDS THAT HE IS VERY MUCH INVOLVED WITH A COUPLE OF KIDS AND ONE LIVELY CAT!



WE'RE NOT REALLY
RUNAWAYS, MR. O'DAY!
WE'RE TRYING TO FIND
OUR OWN PEOPLE, AND
WE THINK THEY MAY
BE SOMEWHERE IN
THOSE MOUNTAINS!



NINE YEARS AGO,
WHEN WE WERE REAL
LITTLE, WE WERE LOST!
TIA REMEMBERS
MORE ABOUT IT
THAN I DO!



I DON'T REMEMBER EVERY-
THING! JUST LITTLE BITS AND
PIECES! THERE WAS AN
ACCIDENT, AND WE WERE
IN THE OCEAN!

YOU MEAN
YOU WERE
SHIP-
WRECKED?



"I'M NOT SURE! BUT WE WERE HANGING ONTO
SOME WRECKAGE AND THERE WAS A MAN! HE
WAS HELPING US, BUT HE WAS HURT!



"AND I REMEMBER A BOAT—A
FISHING BOAT!



"THE SAILORS
RESCUED TONY AND
ME, BUT IT WAS TOO
LATE FOR THE MAN!
HE WAS SWEEP
AWAY! IT SEEMED
TO ME THAT HIS
NAME WAS BENE—
UNCLE BENE!



"CAPTAIN MALONE BROUGHT US HOME TO HIS WIFE. THEY ADOPTED US AND WE LIVED WITH THEM..."



ONLY THEY DIED! AND NOW MR. BOLT WANTS US TO STAY WITH HIM FOREVER!

THAT'S BECAUSE WE CAN DO THINGS OTHER KIDS CAN'T — LIKE SEE THE FUTURE AND... AND HEAR THINGS THAT ARE FAR AWAY!



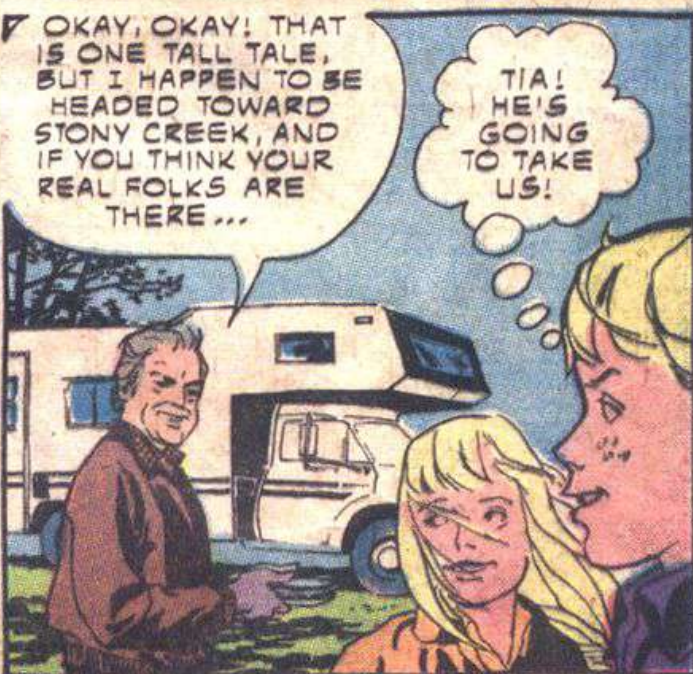
BUT THIS MAP? I DON'T UNDERSTAND!

THERE MUST BE A REASON WHY IT WAS HIDDEN IN MY STAR CASE! MAYBE WE WERE HEADED FOR STONY CREEK OR... OR MISTY VALLEY OR...



OKAY, OKAY! THAT IS ONE TALL TALE, BUT I HAPPEN TO BE HEADED TOWARD STONY CREEK, AND IF YOU THINK YOUR REAL FOLKS ARE THERE...

TIA! HE'S GOING TO TAKE US!



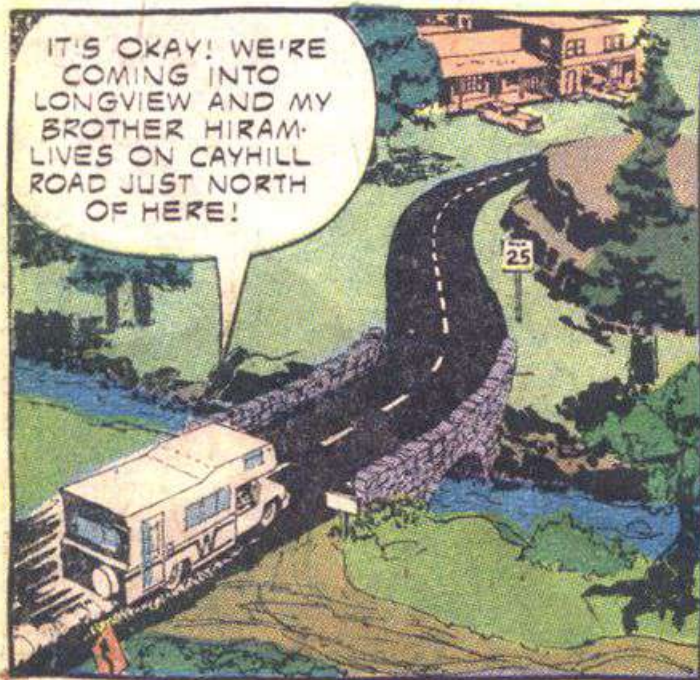
BEFORE MANY MILES, JASON O'DAY'S PREDICTION COMES TRUE...

MR. O'DAY! JASON! BEHIND US! THERE'S A BIG CAR AND I THINK IT'S MR. DERANIAN!



BUT IF I'M BUCKING ARISTOTLE BOLT, I MAY HAVE MY HANDS FULL!

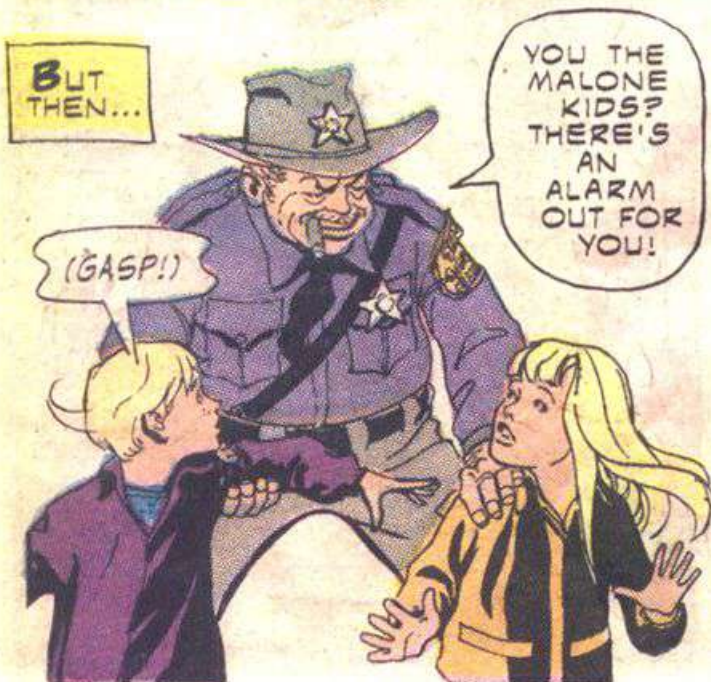




NEAR AN ALLEY, JASON
BRAKES QUICKLY AND...



JASON O'DAY DRIVES ON AND...





SECONDS LATER, IN THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, TONY SPOTS AN ASHTRAY, BLOWS A FEW NOTES ON HIS HARMONICA, AND...



TONY ALSO MAKES GOOD USE OF A HAT, A COAT AND A BROOM...

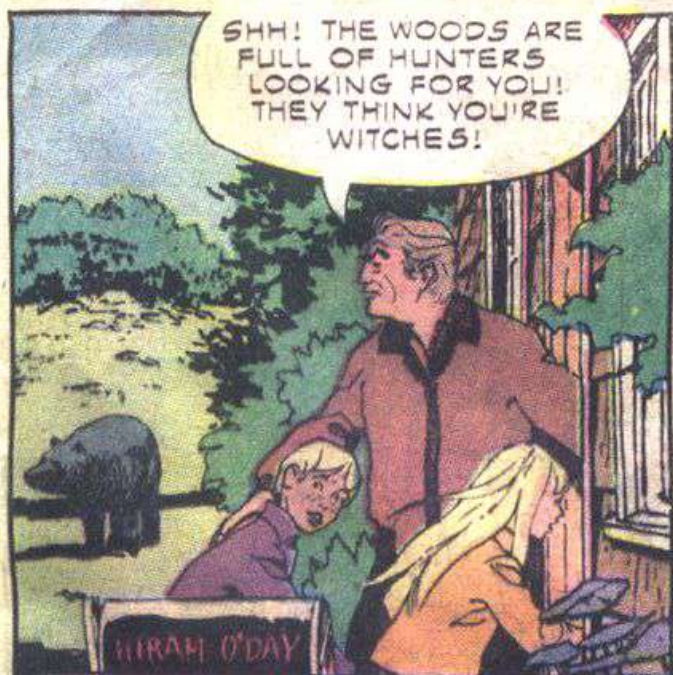
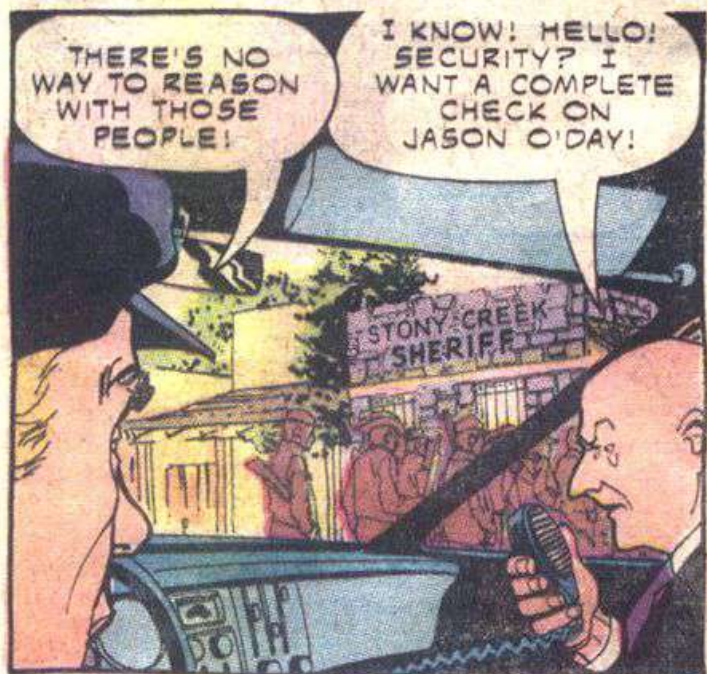


OUTSIDE, TIA ENLISTS THE AID OF A CAGED BEAR WHICH IS ON DISPLAY OUTSIDE A GAS STATION...





MINUTES LATER, DERANIAN ARRIVES AT LONGVIEW TO FIND THAT THE SHERIFF HAS ORGANIZED A POSSE...



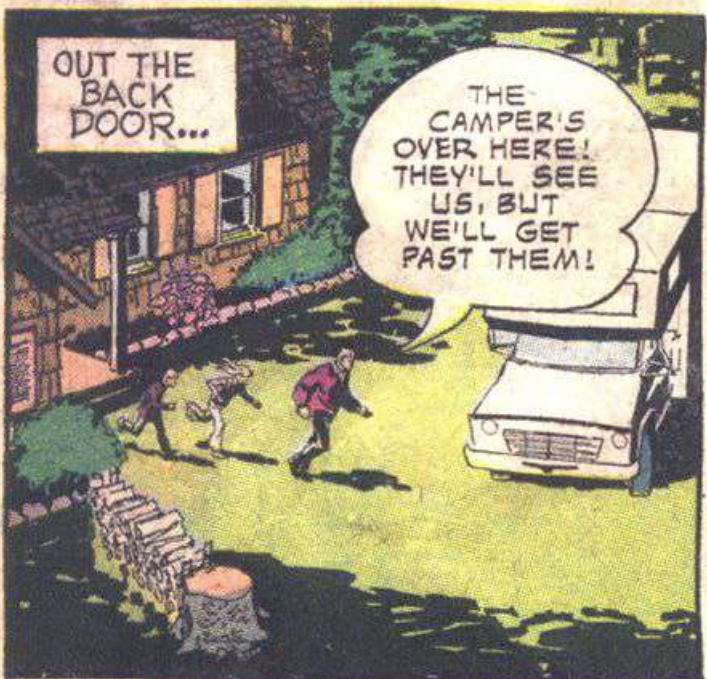


HM! STONY CREEK!
MISTY VALLEY! AND
WITCH MOUNTAIN! I'VE
HEARD ABOUT THAT
PLACE! SEEMS SOME
STRANGE FOLK
SETTLED THERE A
WHILE BACK!



DO YOU
RECKON THEY
COULD BE
YOUR REAL
FOLKS, TONY?

JASON! IT'S
MR. DERANIAN!
HE'S COMING!



OUT THE
BACK
DOOR...

THE
CAMPER'S
OVER HERE!
THEY'LL SEE
US, BUT
WE'LL GET
PAST THEM!



HAH!
THERE THEY
GO! WE'LL
GET 'EM
NOW! WE'LL...

RRROOAR RRR!



A BEAR!



I REMEMBER NOW!
WE CAME FROM A FAR-
AWAY PLACE—A PLACE
WHERE THERE WERE
TWO SUNS! AND THERE
WERE A LOT OF SHIPS
THAT CAME!

TWO SUNS?
ANOTHER
PLANET?
COULD...

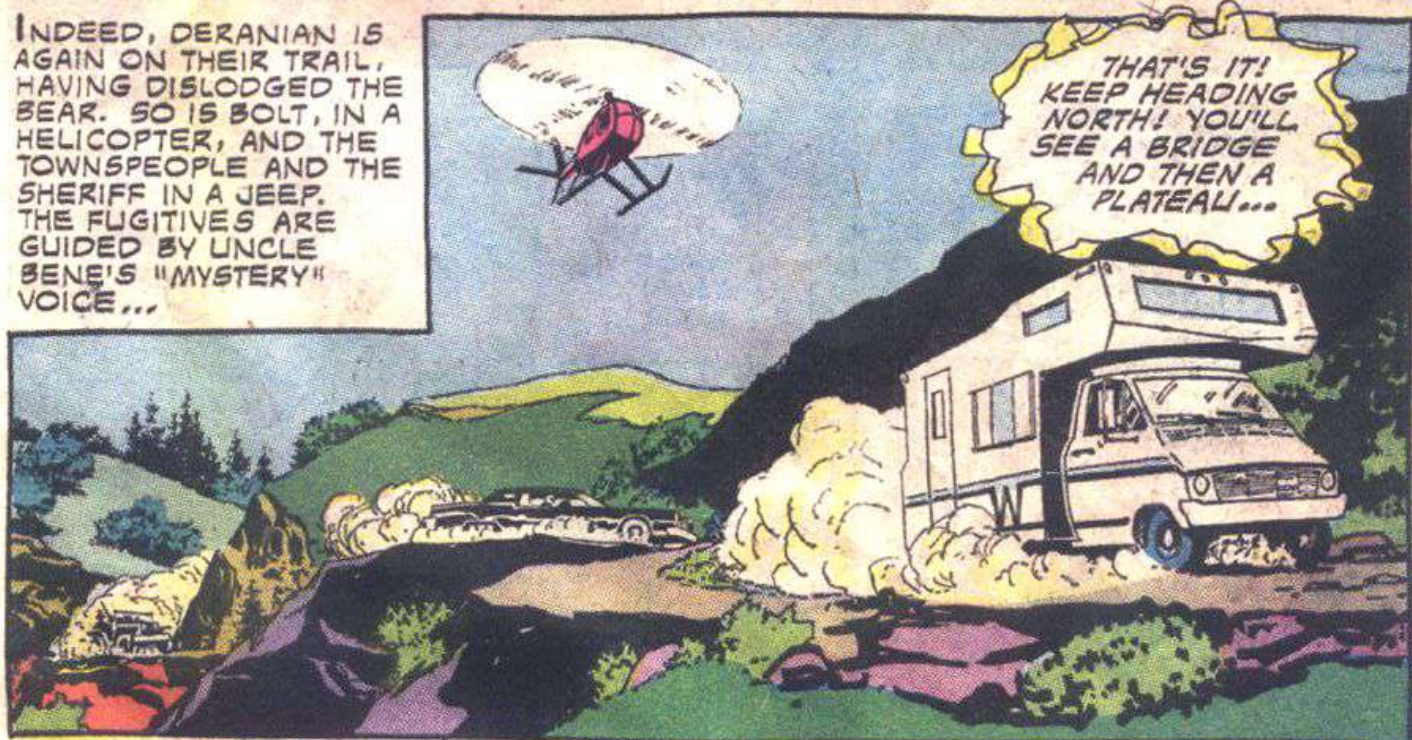
COULD THAT
BE WHY THERE
ARE **TWO STARS**
ON THAT CASE
OF YOURS?

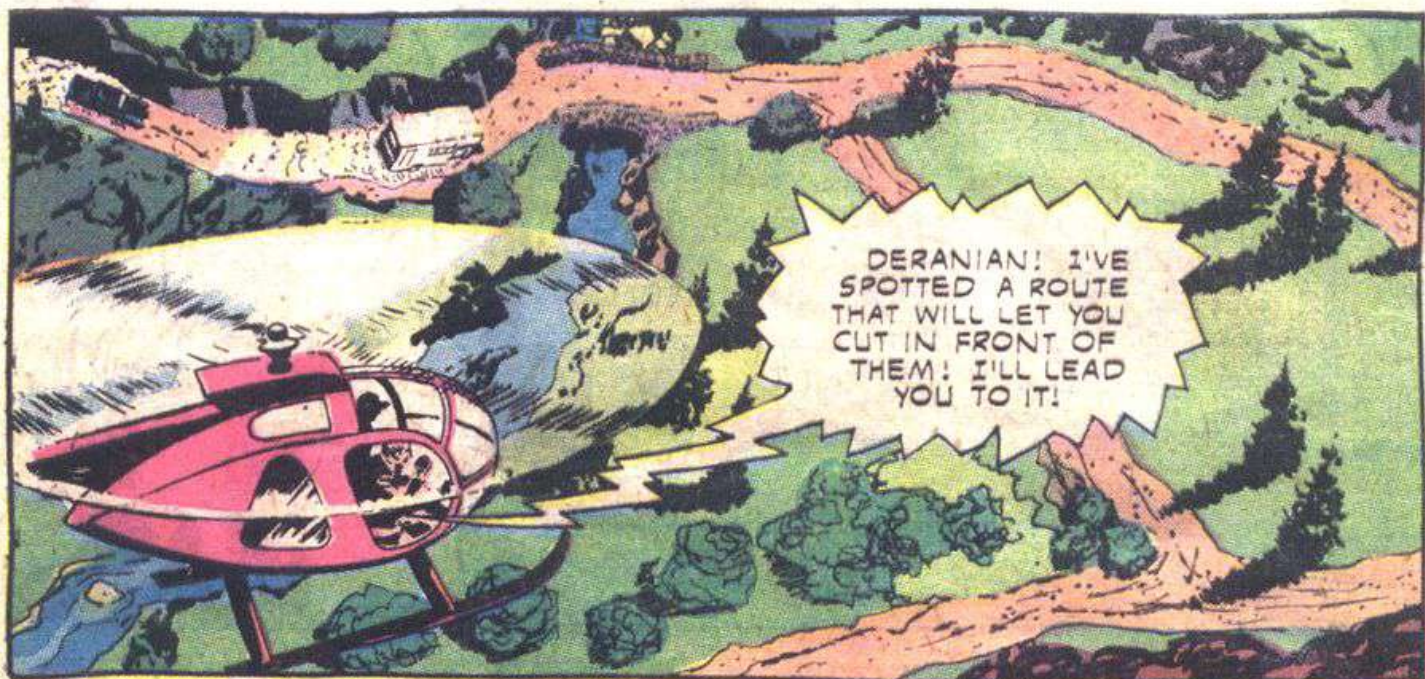


JASON FINDS A DESERTED BUT OPEN REAL ESTATE OFFICE OFF THE MAIN ROAD, AND THERE TONY LOOKS AT A TELEPHONE DIRECTORY AND THEN DIALS A NUMBER...

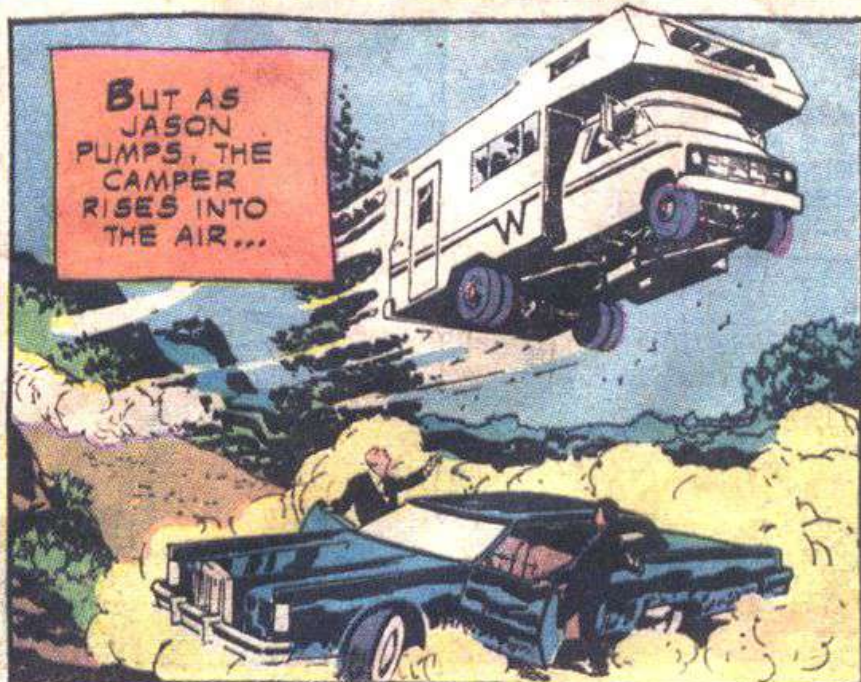


INDEED, DERANIAN IS AGAIN ON THEIR TRAIL, HAVING DISLODGED THE BEAR. SO IS BOLT, IN A HELICOPTER, AND THE TOWNSPEOPLE AND THE SHERIFF IN A JEEP. THE FUGITIVES ARE GUIDED BY UNCLE BENE'S "MYSTERY" VOICE...





DERANIAN'S LIMOUSINE SHOOTS OFF ONTO THE NARROWER ROAD. SECONDS LATER...



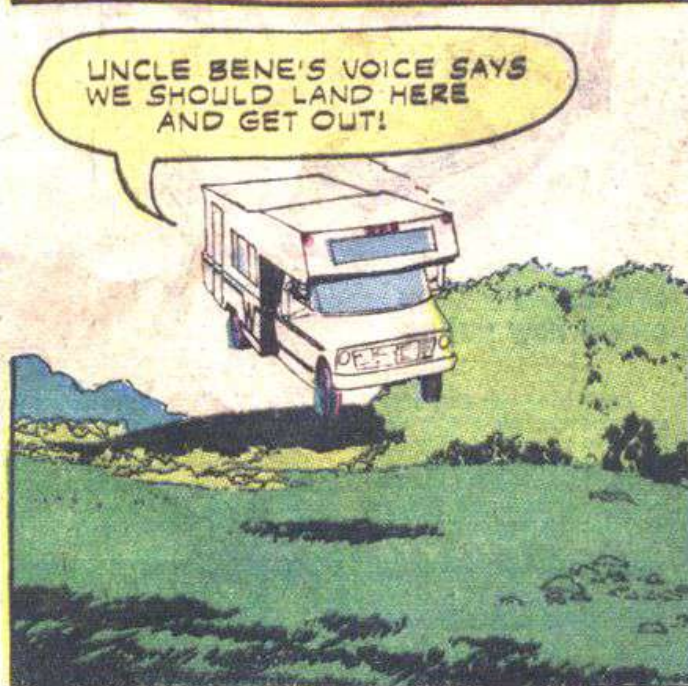
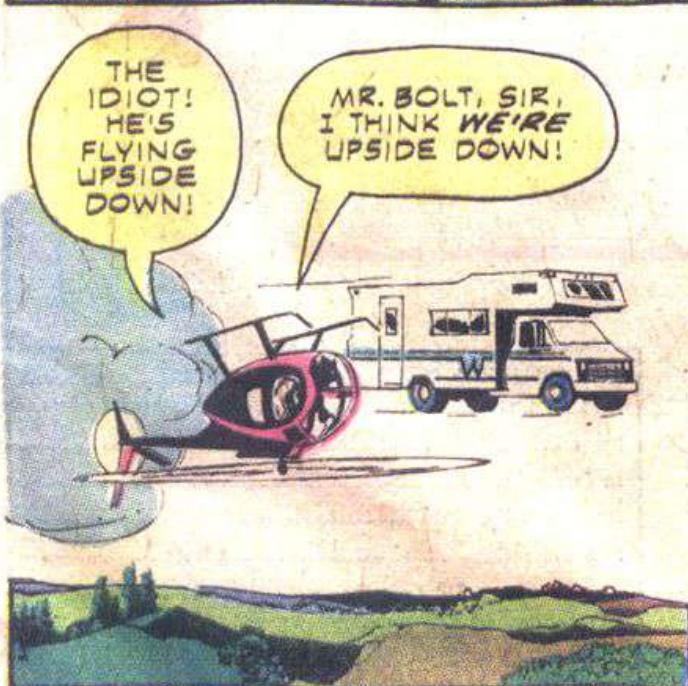
THAT'S WHAT
YOU CALL
LEVITATION!

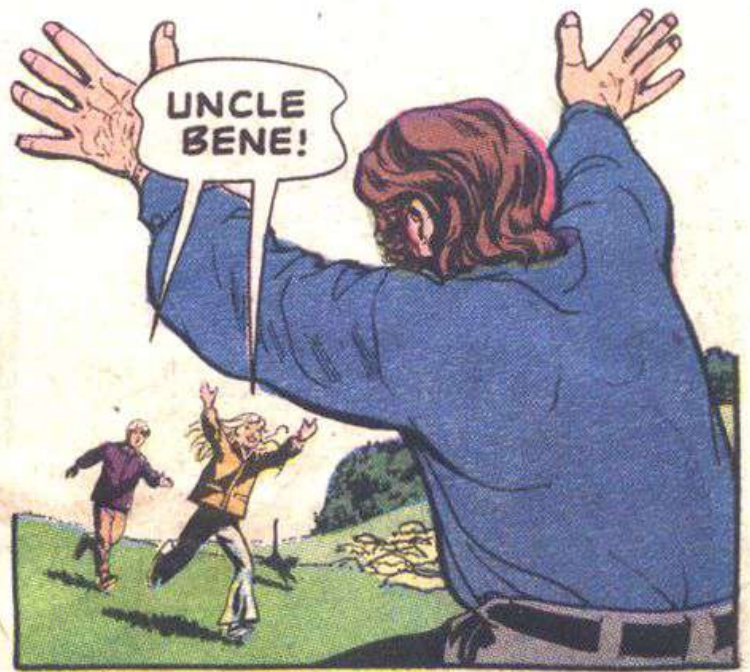
THAT'S
WHAT I'D
CALL A
MIRACLE!

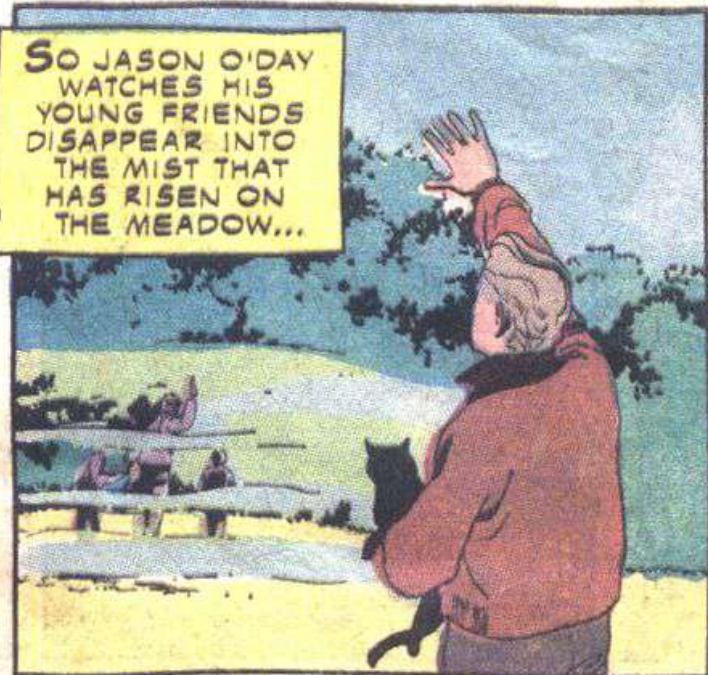
THE LIMOUSINE SPEEDS ON, BUT THE
DRIVER OF THE JEEP BECOMES SOME-
WHAT UPSET BY WHAT HE HAS SEEN...

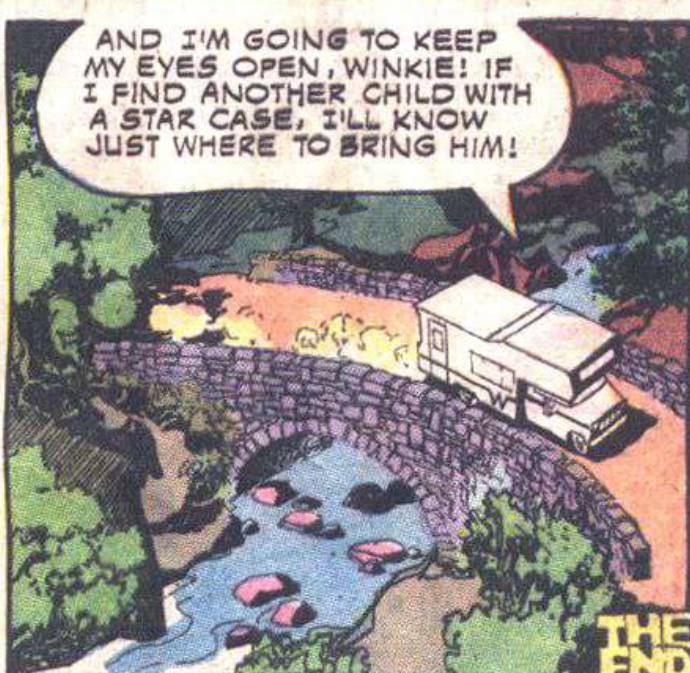
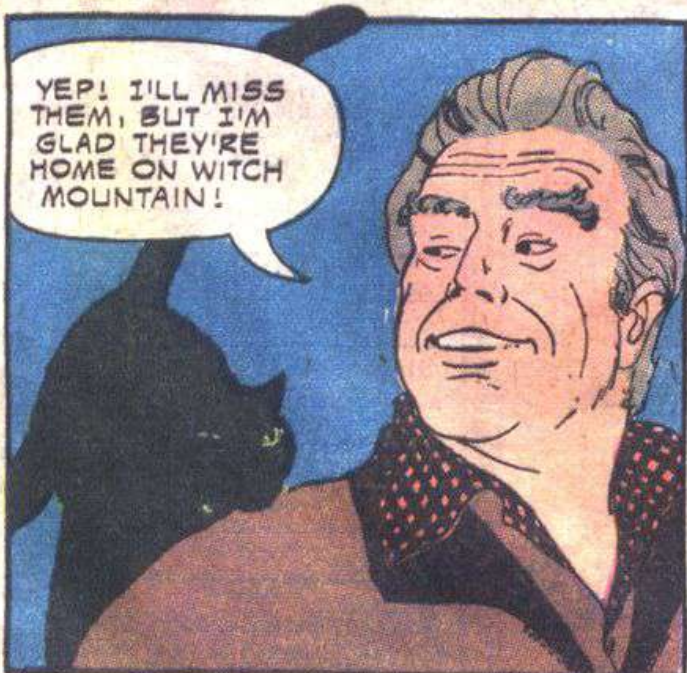


ARISTOTLE BOLT IS ALSO DISMAYED...









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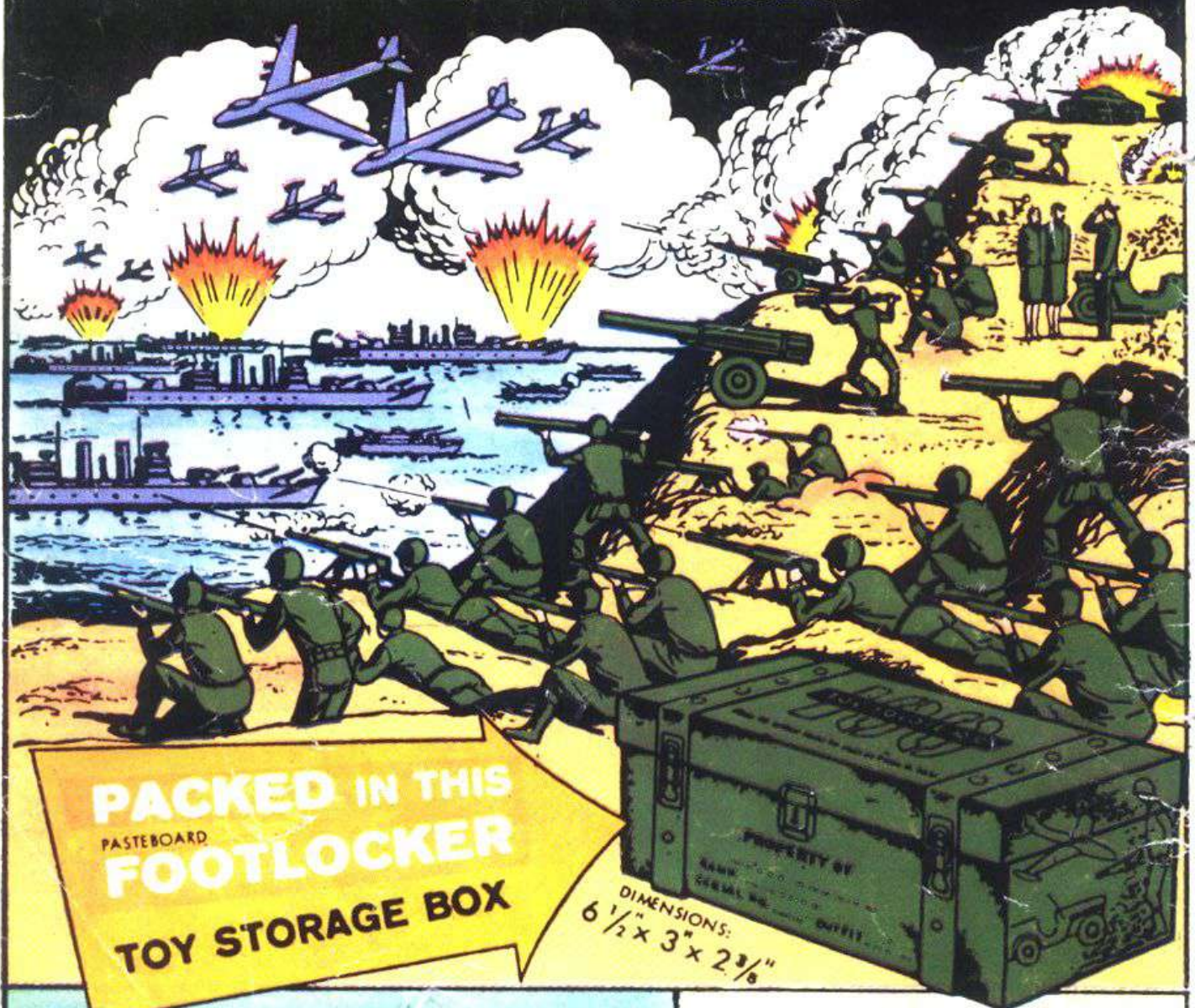
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